

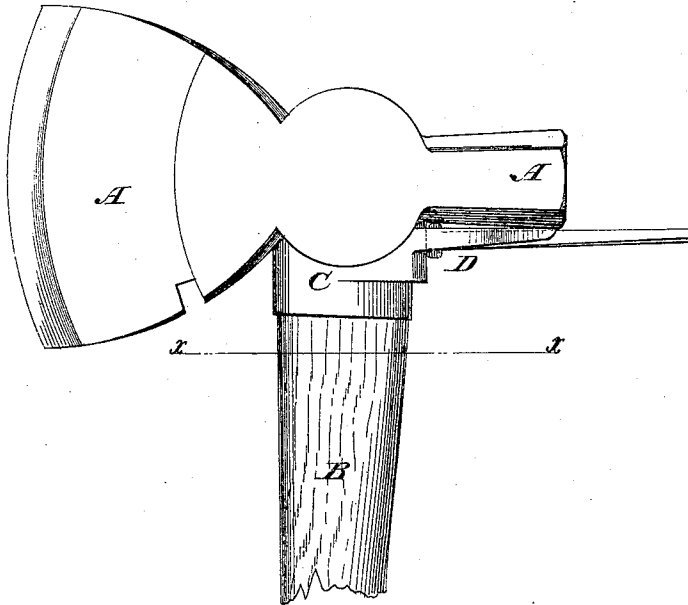
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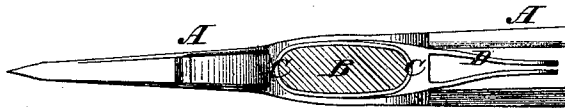
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN HATCHETS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **131,211**, dated September 10, 1872.

Specification describing a new and useful Improvement in Hatchets, invented by SAMUEL DAUGHERTY, of Belle Vernon, in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania.

Figure 1 is a side view of my improved attachment for nail-driving tools, shown as applied to a hatchet. Fig. 2 is a detail sectional view of the same taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved device for attachment to hatchets, hammers, and other nail-driving tools, to enable nails to be driven in places in which it is impossible to hold the nail with one hand while it is being driven with the other, or even to reach with the hands, and which shall at the same time be simple in construction and convenient in use; and it consists in the construction and combination of the various parts of the tool, as hereinafter more fully described.

A represents the head of a hatchet or other nail-driving tool, and B is its handle. C is a

collar secured to the handle B close to the head A. To the collar C are secured two springs, D, the bases of which are secured to the collar C at such a distance apart as to receive between them the head of the nail to be driven. The outer parts of the springs D incline toward each other, so as to grasp the body of the nail between them and hold it securely. By this construction the nail can be started with the driving-tool and then driven home with one hand, thus rendering it possible to drive nails conveniently in places which it is impossible to reach with the hands.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The collar C provided with two nail-holding jaws, D D, applicable on the handle and next to the head of driving-tools, as and for the purpose described.

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